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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Amos Eugene Patterson of Loudon.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Amos E. Patterson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patterson was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a Veteran of World War II and the Korean War, Amos Patterson served twenty-one years in the Unites States Army and was a member of the Sweetwater VFW Post #5156; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patterson served with distinction in World War II as one of those great Americans who earned the rightful designation of the "greatest generation"; with great courage, he served his country by protecting the freedoms and principles we all hold dear; and

WHEREAS, an active member of Big Creek Baptist Church, Amos Patterson evinced deep devotion and faithful commitment to his congregation and community; and

WHEREAS, a creative and successful entrepreneur, Mr. Patterson was owner of the Maxwell Restaurant, the Lamppost Restaurant, and the Town and Country Restaurant in Madisonville and also the Atkins Restaurant in Sweetwater; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patterson was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Amos Patterson was preceded in death by his parents, Charlie and Ida Lee Patterson; his loving wife of thirty-five years, Kazuko "Connie" Patterson; his son, James Patterson; his sisters, Nicie Giles, Eva Brannon, Blanche Brannon, Maude Mason, Tava Mason, and Oda Mullins; and his brothers, Charles, Jr., Ralph, Roy, and Okley; and

WHEREAS, Amos Patterson is survived by his daughters and son-in-law, Patty
Patterson and Maggie and Cotton Hunt; sons and daughters-in-law, Gene and Phyllis
Patterson, Tracy and Elaine Patterson, and Doug and Kristy Patterson; grandchildren, Jenny
Jarigan, Candy Garner Ashley Hunt, Kelley Hunt, Blair Patterson, Brooke Patterson, Jackson
Patterson, and Tyler Yates; sister, Alice Patterson Ervin; companion, Lena Stanz; several
nieces, nephews, and cousins and a host of friends; and

WHEREAS, Amos Patterson leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Amos Eugene Patterson, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Patterson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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